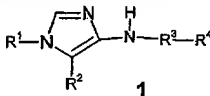


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The invention provides compounds of formula 1



- 5 wherein R¹, R², R³, and R⁴ are as defined, and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts. Compounds of formula 1 are indicated to have activity inhibiting cdk5 and cdk2. Pharmaceutical compositions and methods comprising compounds of formula 1 for treating and preventing diseases and conditions comprising abnormal cell growth, such as cancer, and neurodegenerative diseases and conditions and those affected by dopamine
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